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MEDIA ADVISORY

Manslaughter Warrants Issued

On June 28, 2007, the San Antonio Police Department responded to a major accident at IH 10E and Probandt Rd. When officers arrived, they found a sports utility vehicle, which had been traveling from Houston, TX, on fire. Three of the occupants, Juan Cortez, 38 years old, Theresa Cortez, 43 years old, and Vivian Vasquez, 25 years old, were pronounced dead at the scene. Two other passengers, Marisa Cortez, 17 years old, and Alondra Samano, 2 years old, were transported to area hospitals and ultimately survived.

The investigation revealed that the above vehicle was hit by another car, throwing it in a ditch, which subsequently started the car fire. The suspect car fled the scene and was later located, but the driver had fled.

On 08-29-07, detectives with the San Antonio Police Traffic Investigation Unit applied for and were granted the below listed warrants for the listed suspect. It's believed that the suspect fled to Mexico and is currently still there.

Anyone with information regarding the suspects' whereabouts is urged to call SAPD Traffic Unit at 207-7635 or Crime Stoppers at 224-STOP.

<u>Suspect</u>

Rafael Martinez-Meza L/M 02-18-85

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